

The Holy Trinity

June 11, 2017

Though the word *trinity* is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

- Gathering -

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Musical Meditation

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us worship the Triune God. **Let us worship the One who spoke in the beginning, and created something out of nothing.**

Let us worship the Triune God. **Let us worship the One who took on the clothing of humanity, to set free those who were oppressed.**

Let us worship the Triune God. **Let us worship the One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from sorrow-filled endings to bright new beginnings.**

Brief Order for Healing and Remembrance of Baptism – Page 276

Gathering Hymn – #413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Greeting and Hymn of Praise – **#167 Now the Feast and Celebration**

Prayer of the Day – see insert

- Word -

God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.

Scripture Readings – see insert (*Response: Thanks be to God.*)

Gospel Acclamation – **Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; God's glory fills the whole earth. Alleluia. (Isa. 6:3)**

Gospel (*before reading: Glory to you, O Lord. after: Praise to you, O Christ!*)

Sermon “*Promises and Healing, Healing and Promises*”

Hymn of the Day – #612 Healer of Our Every Ill

(9:30 a.m.) Sacrament of Holy Baptism – Page 227 (*Henry Hugh Hutzenbiler*)

Hymn – #677 (V.1) This Little Light of Mine

(8:00 a.m.) Nicene Creed – Page 104

Prayers of the People

Sharing the Peace (*Response: And also with you.*)

- Meal -

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offertory Hymn – #414 (V. 1) Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving and Holy, Holy, Holy – Page 180-181

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily
bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the
kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution of Bread and Wine

All who believe in the redeeming power of Christ's love are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Hymns – #481, #412, #614

Blessing and Post-Communion Prayer

- Sending -

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Closing Blessing

Sending Hymn – #546 (V. 1 and 4) To Be Your Presence

Dismissal (*Response: Thanks be to God!*)

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Dickinson, North Dakota

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Mission Statement: "Living in Service to Christ"

Welcome to Worship at St. John!

If you are worshipping for the first time, we hope you feel joyfully welcomed! Worship is the most important thing we do together: Gathering in God's Name, Hearing God's Word, Sharing in the Holy Meal, and then Sending You to Shine Christ's Light in the World.

We believe worship brings abundant life and freedom to you and to your neighbor. There are four worship services offered each week at St. John, providing a variety of ways to worship. We encourage you to try them all to find the right fit for you.

To learn more about worship and St. John's story,
click on the GET TO KNOW US page at www.stjohnelc.org

~To Assist You at Worship ~

- *If you are considering becoming a member at St. John*, we ask that you begin by visiting with a pastor and attending a *new member coffee*, held four times each year. For details, click on the MEMBERSHIP link on the GET TO KNOW US page at www.stjohnelc.org.
- *Personal amplifiers for the hearing impaired are available*. Please ask an usher.
- *Children's worship bags* are in the narthex and the Commons Area.
- *Childcare*: Children are always welcome in worship, but if a parent feels that little hands, feet and voices are making it difficult for others to worship, the nursery is supervised during the 10:30 a.m. service. If a child needs a shorter break, there is a wiggle room and a glider chair in the narthex.
- *Holy Communion* is celebrated at each worship service. The table is open to all who believe in the redeeming power of Christ's love. You may stand or kneel and receive the bread and wine. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer or grape juice, simply ask the person serving.
- *The decision about when a child should commune is made by the parent*. We encourage families to visit with a pastor to learn about the sacrament before communing for the first time. Children communing should extend their hands. Children not communing are invited to fold their hands.
- *Coffee is served* in the Commons Area before Sunday worship services.
- St. John is a member congregation of the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** and part of the **Western North Dakota Synod**. St. John is a corporate member of Badlands Ministries Bible Camp and St. Luke's Nursing Home. Congregations in the WND and Eastern North Dakota Synods, including St. John, own Lutheran Social Services of N.D., a private, nonprofit social services agency.

~ Introductions to Sunday's Readings ~

Genesis 1:1--2:4a

This first creation story reached its current form during the crisis of the Babylonian exile of the people of Israel. God, not their captors' god Marduk, was responsible for their existence. God created women and men as rulers over creation, to preserve and protect it. God also rested on the seventh day, hallowing that day forever as the Sabbath.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, the Spirit's partnership.

Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

~ Worship Leaders ~

Presiding Minister	Pastor Lisa Lewton	Thursday
Preaching Minister.....	Pastor Lisa Lewton	Sunday
Assisting Minister.....	Gayle Homiston	Thursday
	Dann Greenwood	8:00 AM
	Russ Murphy	9:30 AM
Organist.....	Barb Arneson	Thursday
	Barb Arneson	Sunday
Servers.....	Houston Crimmins	Thursday
	Alexandra Smith	8:00 AM
	Ian Graves	9:30 AM

WORSHIP LIFE

At worship services this past week, these numbers reflect how many people were sent to *Live in Service to Christ*: Thursday 29, and Sunday 269.

BAPTISM

On Sunday at the 9:30 service, we celebrate the baptism of Henry Hugh Hutzenbiler. His parents are Ryan and Alicia Hutzenbiler. The sponsors are Emily Long and Keith Hutzenbiler.

~ *This Week at St. John* ~

Monday, June 12	7:00 PM	Scouts
Tuesday, June 13	8:30 AM	Lutheran World Relief Quilting
	7:00 PM	Scouts Roundtable
Wednesday, June 14	9:30 AM	Staff Meeting
Thursday, June 15	7:00 PM	Worship
Friday, June 16	6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study/Breakfast at Perkins
Sunday, June 18	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:30 AM	Worship



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June 2-3, 2017 Synod Assembly in Minot, N.D.

Elected to Serve on WND Synod Council:

Vice Pres. Bruce Carlson, Velva; Secretary Barb Roise, Ross; Council Members: East Missouri David Hagel; Heart River Dan Pillar; Lonetree Rev. Tim Mantei; Turtle Mountain Rev. Martha HarriSon; Western Prairie Rev. Janet Gwin; At Large Adult Larry Kleingartner, Bismarck; At Large Adult Cindy Smith, Minot; At Large Youth Naomi Dykeman Dickinson.

Elected to Serve on Board of Lutheran Social Services of ND

Rev. Desiree' Uhrich of Christ Lutheran, Minot and **Kris Fehr of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Dickinson**

CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENTS:

Action: All amendments to the Synod Constitution were passed with the exception of the proposed amendment to S8.51.01 which would have allowed Synod Assembly to elect the bishop to serve more than two consecutive terms. The current term limits of two consecutive terms of six-years each will remain in effect.

RESOLUTIONS: View full text of the eight proposed resolutions at wndsynod.org/synod-assembly.
[Final versions will be posted online within the week.](#)

Resolution concerning funding for the education of rostered church leaders *Action: PASSED*

The Western ND Synod in Assembly 1) encourages each church or parish of this synod to encourage people of all ages to consider entering rostered ministry as pastors or deacons, and 2) challenges each congregation or parish to include a line item for seminary education to their budget, with money to be distributed each year either to the Ministry Fund of the WND Synod Endowment, ELCA Fund for Leaders in Mission, to an ELCA Seminary, or directly to a seminary student as a scholarship.

Resolution concerning 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status *Action: PASSED*

The Western ND Synod in Assembly opposes amending Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which would allow churches and charitable organizations to participate or intervene in political campaigns on behalf of (or in opposition to) candidates for public office.

2018 Synod Assembly will be held June 1-2, 2018 in Bismarck.

Prayers for Our Redeemer's Lutheran in New England, Zion Lutheran in rural Regent, and the family of Pastor Bruce Peterson. It is with a heavy heart that our synod said goodbye to Pastor Bruce, who has served at Our Redeemer's since 2007, and at Zion for the past few years. He died suddenly on June 3. His funeral was Thursday, June 8 at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. Together, we pray for the Spirit's healing, and for the Spirit's guidance as these congregations discern God's preferred future for them.

MISSION TRIP RETREAT

June 23 & 24

Mission trip students and advisors will depart at 12:00 pm on Friday, June 23rd and return around 5:00 pm on Saturday, June 24th. This retreat will help the group prepare for their adventure to unknown places as they put their "hands and feet to work" for Christ!

MISSION TRIP PARENT MEETING

July 9

There will be a mandatory parent meeting on Sunday, July 9 at 7:00 pm in preparation for sending your children on this great adventure.

ST. JOHN SUMMER DAY CAMP

August 6 – 10 (ages 4 – 6th grade)

Information and registration is available on the St. John website – click on the Day Camp homepage slide and choose "Summer Events" OR you can pick up a paper copy from the Commons Area bulletin board to fill out and return. This is a free Day Camp to all who participate – you do not need to be a member of St. John to join the fun!



SUMMER CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Campership information for attending Badlands Ministries Bible Camp is available on the Commons area bulletin board. To request a campership, call the church office or fill out the campership form from our website (homepage).



WELCOME COFFEE

July 9th @ 10:30 am

Are you interested in being a member of the St. John community? We would love to give you a warm welcome! Come to the next "Welcome Coffee" to learn more about St. John and tour all of the areas of the church we call home. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, August 13 during the 9:30 am worship service.



DONATE YOUR EYEGLASSES

May 28 – June 18

St. John is collecting eyeglasses on the west wall in the Commons Area through June 18th. The eyeglasses will be used in eye clinics in Brazil.

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

October 1

Consider using your gifts in a unique way by joining the planning team for this special day of service! If interested, please contact Amy Graves at agraves@stjohnelc.org.



THURSDAY WORSHIP CONVERSATION

June 22

Are you interested in helping wonder about liturgy and music for Thursday evening worship? The Worship and Music Committee invites you to gather on **Thurs., June 22 after the 7:00 p.m. worship service** to hear what you love about Thursday worship, and what you are interested in seeing more or less of! You do not need to be an expert about worship or music. Your voice is important as we wonder how best to use the gifts of music God has provided at St. John.



**CELEBRATING THE REFORMATION~
TRAVELING MARTIN LUTHER**

If you did not get your "Traveling Martin Luther", pick one up today! They are located at the SW entrance doors to the sanctuary (in the rack above the children's activity bags). Take Martin on your adventures this summer and snap a photo – share it on St. John's Facebook page (or email to sonnie@stjohnelc.org)! Keep Martin Luther's message of God's grace moving this summer! Don't forget to include your name and place when sending in your photos!

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